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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Nobuhiro AIHARA for IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD.

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☐ Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure \_ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- ☒ Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: Minolta Co., Ltd..

Also enclosed are:

- ☒ 20 sheet(s) of drawings;
- ☒ a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is ☐ hereby made to \_ filed in \_ on \_;
- ☒ in the declaration;
- ☒ a certified copy of the priority document;
- ☐ a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;
- ☒ an Assignment document;
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement;
- ☐ a patent application data sheet; and
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ An ☒ executed ☐ unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)  
☒ also is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence (an executed declaration referencing this amendment is enclosed or will follow):
- ☐ --This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to \_ filed in \_ on \_; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--
- ☐ --This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application No. \_ entitled \_ and filed on \_, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

☐ --This application is a continuation of International Application No. \_ filed on \_,  
the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference--.

☒ The filing fee has been calculated as follows ☐ and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

C L A I M S					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$750.00 (1001)
Total Claims	16	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	\$750.00
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (1201) =	-0-
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					\$750.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) if Assignment document is enclosed					\$40.00
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$790.00</b>

☐ This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.

☒ A check in the amount of \$ 790.00 is enclosed for the fee due.

☐ Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper; and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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